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Applicant(s): Jean Francois Larvoire) Re: Information Disclosure

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DATA STORAGE DRIVE"

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Sir:

In accordance with the Applicants' duty to disclose information which may be material to the examination of this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that the Examiner consider on the merits the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified) before issuing the first Office Action on the merits. We are enclosing herewith a copy of each document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified).

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Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Form PTO-1449 (modified) (1 page)

Copy of Search Report for EP 02354103 (3 pages)
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